

visible in the decorations of the drawing-room; and a spirit of genuine hospitality presided, which would have rendered a less elegant and a less luxurious repast acceptable.

Such was the commencement of an acquaintance with this estimable and agreeable family, whose attentions and kindness knew no limit. A dinner party led to an invitation to tea on the following evening; and the tea-party was made an occasion for another invitation. Delicacy at first induced us to decline a portion of these civilities, till our friend assured us, that one of his greatest pleasures, after the business of the day, consisted in dining with a circle of his countrymen. His unbounded hospitality was afterwards accepted with as much cheerfulness as it was offered; and most of our evenings during our visit to Marseilles passed delightfully at his fireside. Every successive party drew some new American guest to his table, and the society was so exclusive, as to present a vivid picture of home. A constant round of social enjoyments continued to the very eve of our departure from town, when at a farewell dinner we had the pleasure to meet twenty of our countrymen, and to pledge them in a parting glass. The separation from such a family was as painful, as an intimacy with it had been delightful; and it would grieve me to think, that the friendship contracted with the members of the little circle are destined to be brief as the happy hours which gave them birth. We parted not without a hope of meeting again upon our native shores. Be that as it may, gratitude on our part for such unaffected kindness, and a cherished remembrance of those social nights, can perish only with life.

[From the Missouri Herald.]

GEN. ASHLEY'S EXPEDITION.

The recent expedition of Gen. Ashley to the country west of the Rocky Mountains, has been productive of information on subjects of no small interest to the people of the Union. It has proved that the over-land expeditions, in large bodies, may be made to that remote region, without the necessity of transporting provisions for man or beast.—Gen. Ashley left St. Louis in March last and returned in September. His return caravan consisted of upwards of one hundred horses and mules, and more than half that number of men. He went to the station of the party he had left beyond the mountains, when he came in a year ago, and thence descended a river, believed to be the Buenaventura, about one hundred and fifty miles to the Great Lake.

His return march to St. Louis, occupied about 70 days, each mule and horse carrying nearly two hundred pounds of beaver fur—the animals keeping their strength and flesh on the grass which they found, and without losing any time on this long journey. The men also found an abundance of food; they say there was no day in which they could not have subsisted a thousand men, and often ten thousand. Buffalo furnished the principal food—water of the best quality was met with every day. The whole route lay through a level and open country, better for carriages than any turnpike road in the United States. Wagons and carriages could go with ease as far as Gen. Ashley went, crossing the Rocky Mountains at the source of the north fork of the Platte, and descending the valley of the Buenaventura towards the Pacific ocean. The lake which terminated the expedition westward, is a most remarkable body of water, and heretofore unknown, unless from vague accounts. It is estimated to be one hundred miles long and sixty or eighty wide. It was crossed last spring by a party of Gen. Ashley's men in canoes, who were occupied four and twenty days in making its circuit. They did not exactly ascertain its outlet, but passed a place where they suppose it must have been. The water of this lake is much saltier than that of the sea. Some of the salt obtained from this water by boiling, has been brought in by Gen. Ashley—he has also brought some specimens of rock salt, found in a strata several feet thick at the surface of the ground, with streams of water running through it in numerous little channels. The people in the mountains plentifully supply themselves with salt at this spot, and carry it home in bags.

In the whole expedition, Gen. Ashley did not lose a man, nor had any one of those died whom he left behind last year, many of whom have been out four or five years, and are too happy in the freedom of those wild regions to think of returning to the comparative thrall of civilized life. It would seem that no attempt has been made to ascertain the precise latitude and longitude of the point at which Gen. Ashley crossed the mountains. It is to be hoped that this will not be neglected on the next expedition. From all that we can learn, the elevation is exceedingly small where the passage of the mountain was selected—so small as hardly to affect the rate of going of the caravan, and forming at the most, an angle of three degrees, being two degrees less than the steepest ascent on the Cumberland road.

In the volume of Eulogies on Adams and Jefferson, those of Messrs. Everett and Davids are omitted.

FOREIGN.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 20.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

By the packet ship *Edward Queme*, Capt. Hawkins, the Editor of the National Advocate, has received his file of *Galigani's Paris Messenger*, *Le Courier Francais*, and *Journal de Commerce*, to the 15th November inclusive.

The revolt in Algarves, (Portugal,) is entirely at an end, and the rebels have retreated into Spain, where, to the number of 700, they are in the most abject distress. The Spanish government gives each one ration a day, of bread and vegetables.

The Stockholm Greek Committee has just sent a further sum of 10,000 fr. to the Paris Committee.

The *Algemeine Zeitung* gives from the *Oriental Spectator*, of 29th September, the following observations on the melancholy fate of the Philhellenes:—

"The sights which daily meet our eyes, namely, the Philhellenes returning from Greece in the utmost distress and misery, excite very serious reflections. The number of those who resort to unhappy Greece continue to increase, and we consider it as our duty to tell the Greek Committees the truth. The fanaticism of this new Crusade may have its source in generous feelings, but poetical recollections are doubtful guides in positive and practical affairs. Partial aid does but protract the unequal contest, makes the conquerors implacable, and prepares unspeakable misery for the conquered; but the Philhellenes are not able to offer decisive assistance. The Committees instead of making the public acquainted with the true situation of the Greeks have participated and propagated the common error.—With the Committees came the voluntary gifts, and the increase of the emigrants to Greece, in which even men of the first classes have joined. But what has become of these men and of the money? Most of them have perished in the field of battle, or of disease, or want. Some plundered and abandoned to misery, after having in vain contended against the Greeks themselves, who repelled them from thence, are able to reach some neighboring port, there to implore, as a last favor, the means of returning to their own country. As for the money, it has only increased the treasures of Mayrocordate, Condurotti, Zainio, etc., which are now embarked and brought to a place of safety.—In Greece not a trace of these gifts is to be seen—no hospital, no magazine, no fortress in a proper state of defence, no bridges, no military roads, not even the first elements of any administration; in word, no institution which corresponds with the efforts of the Committees. May they become at length sensible of the truth, and not increase their moral responsibility by prolonging the delusion of the donors."

[From the *Constitutional* of Nov. 15.]

IONIAN ISLANDS—ZANTE, Oct. 14.

Extract from a private letter:—Redschid Pacha is again before Athens; since the battle which took place the 19th Sept. nothing has taken place, the Greeks daily attack them for each attack; the Pacha meets with a loss, but this gives him little uneasiness, for these trifling losses will not cause him to give up the object he has in view. Much is expected from the second expedition to Athens; it is numerous and well organized, and must have arrived there by this time, and no doubt they have had repeated encounters, though we have not yet heard from them. Ibrahim Pacha has been more unfortunate in Peloponnesia than Redschid; after his attempts to penetrate into the interior of Main, all the Moreotes have fallen upon him, and annoy his troops exceedingly wherever they meet him. He lately sent into Messina a body of 150 men, but the corps attempted in vain to open a passage in the defiles of Dernani, to which he lost several hundred men in killed, and retraced his steps. The Moreotes have extended themselves as far as Nissi, and occupy all the posts of Messene. Ibrahim is so weak handed at present, that he appears to be on the eve of being annihilated, without prompt and very considerable succour reaching him from Alexandria. The whole summer has passed away to his prejudice; he still occupies a large part of the Western Morea; but what use is the country to him which he has devastated.

Our countrymen who have lately travelled in Peloponnesus, write us that this fine country, so fertile the second and third years of the Greek Revolution, presents at present a dreary desert, strewn here and there with ruins which excite the sympathy of all who behold them.

Indeed, from the reports we have received, Ibrahim now acts in Peloponnesus as a despoiling enemy, having no other object in view than to render this country inhabitable as long as possible. The barbarians destroy the vines, olive and fruit trees, whenever they pass. Children, old men and women, who fall into their hands, are massacred with unexampled ferocity. Such are the actions of the heroes that the Austrians pride themselves in naming the young Hannibals: it is thus that a christian people in the nineteenth century, conquered under the eyes and through the means of the christian powers.

A letter of the 30th ult. from Leghorn, contains the following intelligence:

"The most recent letters that have reached us from Napoli are of the 5th inst. Intelligence from the second expedition to Attica was looked for with impatience. The Greek squadron was still hovering about the shores of Asia Minor, to watch the enemy closely and prevent an attack. The Isle of Samos is now organized in such a manner, that in case of danger it can send against the enemy twelve or thirteen thousand men, well armed, who have all made up with the gospel, to die at their posts, rather than let the barbarians advance into the interior of their country. Two Greek vessels laden with ammunition, left Napoli for that island on the 23d of September."

The *Nuremberg Correspondent* announces, that, independently of the infantry division, and the 20,000 Cossacks, which marched at the news of the attack by the Persians, several other corps of the First Army, under Gen. Sacken, had set out for the theatre of war.

The Spanish coast continues to be infested with Algerines, Colombians, and every thing else that can cut up the last remains of their commerce.

BOLIVAR. We await with impatience for such information of Bolivar's measures on his arrival at Bogota, as shall leave no kind of doubt of the nature of his future course. In the mean time, we are gratified in meeting with any intelligence which discourages the idea, lately adopted by us with sincere reluctance, of his aspirations to sovereign power. Of this nature is the following letter from the General's secretary, dated Guayaquil, 18th September, which we find in the Baltimore Gazette:

"Sir—This day His Excellency sets off from this city for Quito, and he will continue, without stopping, his route to Bogota.

"The Government will be already informed of the acts celebrated in the Departments of Asuay, Quito, and Guayaquil. His Excellency has given orders that the Administration should be conducted on the same footing and the same principles without the slightest alteration, and that every thing should continue as it has been hitherto since the establishment of the *Constitutional System*. His Excellency has published the enclosed proclamation, which contains the sentiments of His Excellency who is most anxious to arrive in the capital of the Republic, to consecrate anew his services to his country."

The Bogota Constitutional expresses much confidence in the continuance of the General's attachment to the republican order of things; and it is needless to add, that we should rejoice to find the misgivings which we, in common with others, have entertained, dispelled by the event.

[N. Y. States.]

DOMESTIC.

[From the Boston Daily Advertiser.]

On Saturday, at 9 o'clock, on the opening of the Circuit Court of the United States, Merchant and Colson, who had been convicted of murder, were brought to receive sentence.—Judge Story, after a solemn and impressive address pronounced sentence of death, to be executed on the first day of February next. The prisoners, so far from manifesting any just sense of their awful condition, or any compunctions for the atrocious crime they have committed, conducted themselves in the most indecent and intemperate manner, and addressed the Judge, the Jury, and the officers of the Court, in the most abusive and profane language. The conduct of these unhappy men, in the commission of the crime for which they are to suffer, and since they have been on their trial, has been that of the most hardened and depraved of human beings. The particulars of the crime have been more fully stated heretofore, when the news of the event was announced. The schooner *Fairy* sailed from Boston on the 8th of August last, for Gothenburg, with a cargo worth about \$7,000, and six persons on board, viz: Edward Selfridge, son of the late Thomas O. Selfridge, master, Thomas P. Jenkins, mate, the two prisoners, seamen, with John Murray, a seaman, and Hughes, steward.

The two last named persons (with Capt. Hook and Mr. Pike, who assisted in the arrest) were the principal witnesses on the trial. In the course of the voyage, Merchant inquired of Murray if there was money on board. He also complained of being kept too long at the helm, and Colson complained that the Captain had thrown water on him. On the night of August 27, it was the Captain's watch on deck, with Colson and Hughes, until 12 o'clock; and the mate's with Merchant, after 12. At 1 the Captain and Hughes went below, and went to sleep. At 4 o'clock in the morning, watch was called. Murray, who had been below and asleep all night, and Hughes, got up, found the hatch of the forecastle closed and fastened, although the weather was hot. After a short time the hatchway was opened, and Hughes and Murray went up. They found Colson at the helm, and Merchant sitting on the rail. One of them inquired for the mate, and Merchant replied, "we have killed Captain and mate, and thrown them overboard." This declaration was confirmed by Colson, in language the most vulgar and profane. He said they were willing to suffer for it, if they were caught. Merchant ordered the steward to get the best breakfast in the vessel. He and Colson threw over-

board anchors, cables, &c. and stove water casks, as Colson said, to lighten the vessel, and make her sail faster. After breakfast, they took out the Captain's desk, and destroyed part of the papers. They divided the Captain's clothes, Merchant taking his chest, and Colson putting the clothes into his own chest. They discharged the pistols, four in number, and reloaded them, taking two each. The bed cloths were gone from the Captain's birth, there was blood on the pillows, on the cabin floor, the steps, the quarter deck, and rail, and on Merchant's trousers. They steered various courses, and in three days made the coast of Nova Scotia. Merchant and Colson then bored auger holes in the vessel and put in plugs. When about

5 miles from land, they got out the boat, put provisions, 3 chests, a sextant and compass into it; the two witnesses were ordered into it; the plugs were taken out; and Colson cut holes in the side of the vessel, near the water's edge, to make her sink faster. They then made for the shore. Colson and Merchant agreed to say they belonged to brig *Fame* of Philadelphia, which had foundered at sea; that there were eight hands in all, and that the Captain and mate and two of the crew had taken to the other boat, which had parted company in fog. Towards evening, Aug. 30, they entered the harbor of Louisburgh. They were soon coming in by Capt. Hook, and Francis Pike, mate, of the schooner *Sally*, of Newburyport, who had put in there for water. To them, whom they met shortly after landing, they told the story which they had agreed on. Murray and Hughes the next morning found an opportunity to disclose the truth to Hook and Pike, who immediately took measures to have the murderers apprehended, in which they succeeded on the following morning. Capt. Pike stated on the trial, that when Colson was arrested and brought in, after the examination of Merchant, Colson said to Merchant, "Oh, Charley, if you had heard to me, we should not have come to this."—"I know I have got to die, and I'll tell the truth, you Merchant killed the mate, and I killed the Captain; I was forward, heard you strike a blow, heard the mate fall, and when I came aft, you was throwing him overboard;" then Merchant picked up a bolt and said if Colson didn't go and kill the Captain he should be killed too.

Colson went below with the axe, but his heart failed him. Merchant then followed him down again with the bolt, when Colson struck the Captain with the axe—Captain screeched—Merchant then sprung down, dragged the Captain out of his birth, and hauled him up on the cabin floor—then both hauled him up the cabin stairs, and threw him overboard through the port hole. Merchant made no reply.

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be identified. In the course of the night, however, the friends of the unfortunate young man discovered blood and other melancholy indications of his fate, on the bank of the river just above the Free bridge near the house of Capt. White. His hat was also found about 40 rods below the place where the blood was discovered which leads to the unavoidable conclusion that Mr. Goodwin came to a melancholy and untimely end, either by accident or design. Many conjectures are entertained relative to the unfortunate affair—but as the body has not been found, nothing certain can be known as to the cause of the catastrophe. Mr. Goodwin was 31 years of age.

Sacra Pal.

[From the N. Y. National Advocate.]

SINGULAR PRESERVATION. A few days ago a very amusing and somewhat dangerous occurrence took place at a small Circus in the Bowery, in which there is an exhibition of Wild Beasts, such as elephants, tigers, lions, &c. The keeper of the Collection one day went to dinner, as usual, under the impression that his four-footed actors were safe in their cages. It was not so. The cage that contained a tiger and a tigress, was in a state of desecration, so that the ferocious couple broke loose. If their keeper was to eat his beef steak, Mr. and Mrs. Tiger thought they ought to have something fresh too. Accordingly, being free as air, they cast their eyes round the habitation, as a gormandizer would in a cook-shop, and so selected a fine foreign animal, called the Lama, on which to dine upon. At the approach of the tiger couple the poor Lama got scared and set up a grunt. It would not do. One of the tiger family (we have tiger families elsewhere) sprung at his throat, brought him down and tapped his jugular vein in a twinkling. Here both the animals sipped away with great perseverance, as fast and as cordially as the cobler and his wife hung over a cider barrel in New Jersey which they soon emptied of its contents. The heart of the poor Lama was soon drank dry by these two feline tigers.

In the mean time the keeper had finished his dinner, drank his glass, and was puffing away at the butt end of a Spanish cigar, when he entered and found the work that had been going on. He was alarmed at first, but his personal courage did not wane away, as Acer's did in the play. He ventured into the ring with a noose to fling over the heads of the two ferocious animals; while they were sucking out the last drop of blood from the poor Lama. The tigress finishing her repast sooner than her mate, turned round while the keeper was in the very act of catching them, and made preparations to spring upon him, in the same way that a cat does when she sees a mouse. The keeper felt the danger of his situation, but with great presence of mind, he made a retreat behind his elephant, who, from the other side of the Circus was looking on the scene with great concern.

The tigress did not forego her intent. She made a spring at the keeper past the elephant, but just at this moment the sagacious animal observing, it would seem, the danger of his keeper, let out his trunk with the celerity of an arrow from the bow, and pitched the tigress to the farther end of the Circus.

A wonderful hurly burly was now kicked up. All the monkeys and baboons scampered up the rafters, and the glaring eyes of the enraged tigress struck dread into the whole, except the elephant, who folded up his trunk with neatness after his seat, and the lion who sat in his cage on his hips like a dog, looking on with great dignity and composure. The keeper now ran out from behind the elephant, and approaching his trunk, uttered certain words, which the sagacious animal understands with so much correctness. The elephant unrolled his trunk, the keeper got aside, and in a moment was elevated to the back of his preserver.

In the mean time the tigress had recovered from the tess she had got, and made new preparations to spring upon the keeper, who was upon the back of the elephant. The elephant saw, and took *prohobis* measures accordingly. Again the tigress sprang upon the man, and again the elephant interposed his trunk, and to sed the tigress a second time to the furthest extremity of the Circus. The pitch wounded the side of the tigress, and finding there was no use in trying further to top the jugular of the keeper, she sneaked into her cage with what she had got.

While this business was going on, the tiger himself had begun to look round, and see what fun could be picked up. On raising his head from the lava, the first thing that struck him was the lion sitting in his cage with great dignity and unconcern. The tiger showed his teeth; the lion slightly shook his mane. The tiger drew back on his hind legs to make a spring; the lion rose up with dignity and shot

himself from the back of the elephant, ran with his noose to the tiger and secured him in a moment.

After this was accomplished, the lion generously let go his hold, and the keeper dragged the other to his cage and secured them both.—And thus by a singular train of circumstances, in which the instinct and trunk of the elephant, no less than the teeth and temper of the lion, bore a conspicuous part, did the poor keeper get rescued from the jaws of the tiger and tigress.

THE OBSERVER.

NORWAY, JANUARY 3, 1827.

NEW YEAR'S ADDRESS.

READERS, the wishes of the season due, With friendly hearts, we offer you; May peace and plenty crown the year, And be received with thanks sincere;

May Heav'n from ill designs defend, And smiling health your steps attend,

May ago look back on seasons past, Nor reason have to dread the last;

Meridian life, reform defects, And youth be train'd, as God directs,

May useful enterprise be blest, And vice, and idleness, reprobate;

May learning, science, arts, increase,

And statesmen seek our country's peace. Our country, favor'd, happy land,

It owns no tyrant's stern command; But blest with wise and equal laws,

And hearts devoted to her cause. A genial clime, and fruitful soil,

Rewards the farmer's healthful toil; Her manufacturer's fruit repays,

The busy artis's lab'ring days. Different trades their i'rost blend;

Our ships, to evry clime extend, Return with richly laden stores,

And leave their treasures on our shores. Let Spain possess her mines of gold,

Be India's spicy sweets untold;

Let Afric' boast her golden sands,

Columbia, freedom's glory stands.

From num'rous sources, comforts flow, Much to the Printer's art, we owe;

His lab'rs, knowledge to diffuse,

To mend the heart, proclaim the news. Our paper makes no great pretence

To merit; but plain common sense,

We hope we never shall offend;

But news with truth and reason blend.

We love our country from our heart,

And with her foes will bear no part;

Disdain a party badge to wear,

But make good will and peace our care.

Happy to have it in our pow'r,

To please, instruct, passing hour;

What's good command, our faults forgive,

'T is by your patronage we live.

NEW YEAR. We have just commenced another year. Time's wheels have rolled us along, and we are still moving on towards that "undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveller returns." We may for a few moments cast our mind's eye back and take a retrospective view of the year past.—Its political changes have been few: Alexander, the Emperor of all the Russias, has gone the way of his fathers, showing us that death has no respect for Kings.—The fall of *Misolonghi* was an event which caused every well-wisher to liberty to mourn. This fortress was marked out and erected by Lord Byron, the generous and noble friend of the Greeks. Yet Greece still lives; and she has the prayers and wishes of every real son of freedom that she may yet achieve her independence.—In England the times have borne hard upon the poor and laboring classes—yet we are cheered with the prospect that their burden is growing lighter.—In France the times are tranquil;—while Spain and Portugal have been slightly disturbed.—South America is verging, we hope, towards freedom and independence.—In our own country we have lost the Framers, as well as the Advocate of our excellent National Constitution. *Jefferson* and *Adams*, who by their virtues and services had endeared themselves to the people, both sleep with their fathers on the Anniversary of that day which gave birth to our liberty and independence—a coincidence beyond a parallel in ancient or modern history.

The year past has been with us a season of general prosperity. Our Farmers have reaped the fruits of their labors and toils; our Mechanics have been rewarded for their industry; while our Merchants and Traders have in general realized their reasonable expectations: Our Physicians have been rather out of employment, owing to the general prevalence of health; and some of our Lawyers have closed their doors for the want of clients, while others have been obliged to support themselves upon what they have heretofore accumulated, or live in anticipation of future earnings. In short, general prosperity has been our lot, and we hope that we may realize this year, all the blessings of the last and much more abundantly.

Few towns, at the commencement of the New Year, have greater cause of gratitude to the Supreme Giver of every good, for the blessings of the past year, than the inhabitants of this town. While we have shared in an eminent degree the ordinary blessings of Providence, we have been preeminently blessed in exemption from disease and death. No

fatal malady has prevailed; and from a population of fifteen hundred souls, we have been called to consign to the congregation of the dead only five. The names of the deceased with the causes of their death are as follows, viz:—David Frost, debility of age; Ebenezer Cobb, consumption; Israel Millett, consumption; William Pierce, killed by the falling of a tree; an infant child of William Churchill, of an infantile complaint. It is still further remarkable, that, with the exception of the child of Mr. Churchill, which died last week, there has not occurred in this town the death of an individual under adult age since September, 1825.

ACCIDENT. We regret to state that, as Mr. Sheriff WHITNEY was passing from Paris to Buckfield, on the 26th ult., his horse took fright, overset his sleigh, and that his leg was badly broken, and he was otherwise severely, but, we hope, not dangerously injured.

The American Patriot has been designated as the paper to publish the Laws and Resolves of the United States, in room of the *Eastern Argus*. The Editor of the *Argus*, however, assures its readers, that he shall continue to publish them as heretofore, so that its readers will lose nothing by the change.—"Rotation," is a Republican maxim; and we expect yet to publish "By Authority."

CONGRESS. At our last dates from Washington, the business of Congress was not of an interesting nature to our readers; it was mostly of a local kind, belonging to the Southern and Western States.

REVOLUTIONARY OFFICERS & SOLDIERS.—The cause of this long neglected class of citizens, is again brought before Congress. It is taken up at an early day of the session, and we hope taken up in earnest; not with a view to deceive their relief, when nothing is intended; but with an honest determination to act with effect.

We have become a great and happy nation, a nation exalted in privileges; we have become a wealthy people, able to make appropriations for almost every species of national improvement; and shall we deny to that small portion of our fellow citizens, to whom under God, we are indebted for our independence and prosperity, the means of participating in our enjoyment? Shall we say to them, "go, starve and be forgotten"? To what purpose is it, that we, on all days of national festivity and rejoicing, praise the revolutionary patriot in our songs and orations, if, when he asks us to make him comfortable with our substance, our hands are clinched and we are silent as the grave.

We present our thanks to the Hon. P. E. S. S. Member of Congress from Kennebec District, for a copy of the Documents accompanying the President's Message.

THE SEASON. Winter has now come upon us in earnest; the ground is now covered with snow to the depth of nearly two feet, and the merry music of the sleigh bells salutes our ears. This is the season for to sit and hear "the excluded tempest idly rave along," at least in order not to come in contact with "Jack Frost"; and we ought to make it useful, if we have but little to enjoy a great deal. It is not absolutely necessary for our enjoyments that we should be the constant attendants of "balls" or "assemblies," or be giving or receiving visits every evening in the week. Our best company should be our partners in life, in the bosom of our families, or some one or two special friends—friends we mean, who are such in winter as well as summer—in a stormy day as well as a fair one. With such company home and the fireside hold out strong attractions, especially if we have a tight room, a good fire, some apples and a little cider, with a good book or newspaper, (we mean the *Observer*,) interspersed with useful and entertaining conversation. How pleasant and delightful to spend these long winter evenings in the company of our families, endeavoring to rear the tender mind and teach the young idea how to shoot, to watch and see the tender bud expand, and try to form the opening mind for usefulness in life; to put all our concerns in order, settle and adjust our accounts, and endeavor, if possible, to be "square with the world." We will appeal to our readers if they do not think it much better to spend their evenings in this way than to assemble at the tavern or grog shop, and spend them in gambling, story telling, or drinking amidst noise and confusion.

INFORMATION. The Editor of the *Patrol* (*Doct. Lox*) says, he cannot understand whether we meant to censure the presses generally in this State, or him for his temerity in venturing to censure Gov. Parris. We can assure the good Doctor that if he will just fix his glass a second time upon the paragraph in our paper, he will discover that it contained no idea or sentiment which could fairly be construed to mean censure or blame upon him, or any of the presses in this State.—We rather suspect that the Doctor's glass was a little dusty, if we understand correctly his views respecting the "pure and unadulterated Republicanism" in this County. We apprehend the change which he alludes to, will not be of the most favorable nature for his side of politics.

CONCERNCE. This day the Legislatures of this State and Massachusetts meet. The two States, once united, had for a few months Hon. Levi Liscott for their Chief Magistrate; two of his sons are now their respective Governors. We suspect it is hard to find a parallel of this kind.

SOMETHING NEW. It is stated, that several Bales of Cotton have been raised the past season, in the garden of Daniel Waldo, Esq. in Worcester, Mass.

ACCIDENT. We regret to state that, as Mr. Sheriff WHITNEY was passing from Paris to Buckfield, on the 26th ult., his horse took fright, overset his sleigh, and that his leg was badly broken, and he was otherwise severely, but, we hope, not dangerously injured.

The American Patriot has been designated as the paper to publish the Laws and Resolves of the United States, in room of the *Eastern Argus*. The Editor of the *Argus*, however, assures its readers, that he shall continue to publish them as heretofore, so that its readers will lose nothing by the change.—"Rotation," is a Republican maxim; and we expect yet to publish "By Authority."

REMOVAL!

THE subscribers have removed the OXFORD BOOKSTORE to NORWAY VILLAGE, where they now have, and shall endeavor to keep constantly for SALE, a large and complete Stock of

BOOKS, STATIONERY, & FANCY ARTICLES, which they will sell at very low prices for CASH.

Norway, Dec. 21.

NO MISTAKE!!!

BRADLEY & DOW

HAVE just received ONE HUNDRED

AND TEN PIECES of fine, superfine,

blue, black, olive, claret, and mixt

Broadcloths & Cassimeres,

which are offered very low—say ten per cent.

lower than "Auction Prices."

ALSO—

50 pieces SATINETS,

20 bales SHEETINGS and SHIRTINGS,

with a general assortment of prime British

and American

goods.

PROBATE NOTICE....Extra.

IN consequence of the ill health of the Judge of Probate, the Probate Courts appointed to be held at Waterford, in the County of Oxford, on the Monday preceding the 3d Tuesday of January, and at Fryeburg, on the 3d Tuesday of January next, are adjourned to the Probate Office in Paris, in said County, on the fourth Tuesday of January next. Per order of the Judge.

THOMAS WEBSTER, *Register.*

Paris, Dec. 19, 1826. *130.

PROBATE NOTICE....Extra.

HAS established himself in business in this town, and has taken the store next to that occupied by MARK HARRIS, Esq. Middle-street, where he has just received an entire new and extensive Stock of

GOODS,

comprising a heavy and general assortment of *Drugs and Medicines, Paints & Dye-Stuffs*, among which may be found the following articles—

Drugs, Medicine, &c.

Gum Opium; Tart Emetic; Calomel; Cas-

tor; Columbo; Cantharides; Peruvian Bark;

Antimony; Oil Peppermint; Oil Cloves;

and all other Oils generally required for

Musk; Blue Pill; Gum Galbanum; Glauber, Ro-

chelle, Epsom and Soda Salts; Flake Mauna;

Gum Arabic; Phos Iron; Gimbogs; Myrrh;

Aloes; Rhubarb; Pica; Pink Root; Cre-

Tatar; Siphler; Red and White Precipi-

Quicksilver; Gunicum; Valerian;

Wormseed; Opodeldoc; British Oil; Prusic

Acid; Sperm Ceti; Camphor; Magnesia;

Chamomile Flowers; Croton Oil; Cold Pressed

Castor Oil, by the gallon or bottle; Gen-

Barley; and numerous other articles, which

together with a long catalogue of

PATENT MEDICINES,

renders the assortment very full and com-

plete.—Also, Surgeons' Instruments, such as

Pocket Cases; Teeth Instruments; Lancets;

Catheters; Amputating and Dissecting Cases;

Bougies; Trusses; Stomach Tubes, &c. &c.

Paints, Oils, &c.

Dry and Ground White Lead; Red Lead;

French Yellow; Black Lead; Stone Yellow;

Rose Pink; Chrome Yellow; Umber; Ivory

Black; Lamp Black; Vermillion; Glue;

Venetian Red; Spanish Brown; Purple

Brown; Verdigris; French Green; Paris

White; Whiting; Lytharge; Pumice Stone;

Rotten Stone; Drop Lake; Flake White;

Blue Smalt; Prussian Blue; Blue, Purple

and White Frostings; Sand Paper; Paint

Knives; Paint Brushes; C. H. Pencils;

White Wash Brushes; Orange Red; India

Red; Distilled Verdigris; Linseed Oil;

Spirits Turpentine; Copal, Japan, and Bright

Varnish; Gold, Silver and Brass Leaf; Silver

and Copper Bronze; Gum Copal; Gum Shell-

lac; Sugar of Lead; White Vittoli; Em-

erald; Rosin; Dutch Pink; White and Red

Chalk, &c.

Dye Stuffs, &c.

Logwood; Redwood; Fustic; Nicaragua;

Camwood; Alum; Copperas; Indigo; Blue

Virol; Madder; Woad; Cubeb; Oil Vit-

er; Nutgalls; Verdigris; Clothiers' Jacks;

Screws; Cotton and Wool Cards; Iron Mor-

tars.

THE BOWER.

FOR THE OBSERVER.

TWILIGHT.

Mild Twilight, contemplation's favor'd hour,
I love to feel thy care-dispelling pow'r;
To look into my heart, the past review,
And seek to know what yet remains to do.

Remains to do! Time's work will soon be done;
For, see revolving suns, how swift they run;
Shall folly, then, my precious moments share,
Or earth's alluring toys engross my care?

Enough of time to folly has been giv'n,
Let remnant hours be spent for God and Heaven.

To Him who holds our breath, our time is due;

'Tis wisdom's part to keep life's end in view:

To look beyond earth's narrow, transient shore,

To an eternal home, where seasons roll no more:

Where pleasure blooms, and grief gives place to joy,

And love and praise shall be the soul's employ.

The sober hour of day's departing close,
A humble shade o'er human grandeur throws;
We view the sun's last, ling'ring, setting ray,
An emblem of life's solemn closing day.

The hour when death and untired scenes are near,
And earth's illusive charms will disappear;
We see in evening's silent, stable gloom,
The night which hovers o'er the lonely tomb.

The Christain's eye beyond these scenes will rise,
By faith explore the mansions in the skies;

No dusky twilight there, no gloomy night,
But one eternal day of cloudless light.

A. C.

FOR THE OBSERVER.

A Mother's Address to her Infant.
Sweet babe, that slumb'rest on my breast,
Where thou hast found a home;

Thou dost not think, my little guest,
To what a world thou'rt come.

Happy for thee, thou dost not dream
What ill, may prove thy fate;

What woes on life's eventful stream,
Thy future years await.

A parent's arms infold thee now
Secure from ev'ry snare;

No sorrows on thy pillow grow;

Blest babe, stranger to care:

Thy guiltless bosom feels no sting;

No stain thy conscience knows;

No fears which thoughts of past can bring,

Disturb thy calm repose.

Could fortune's gifts, my pray'r's bestow,

Thy lot should cloudless be,

As is thy little infant brow

From ev'ry blemish free;

Grief's bitter sigh should never break

Thy breast's serenity;

No tear should dew thy lovely cheek,

Saw that of sympathy.

But who can tell what fate's decreed?

When left the world to try,

How oft thy gentle heart may bleed

At cruel destiny?

Deceitful flow'r's, the pathway gild,

In which thy youth must tread;

Beneath whose luring blooms conceal'd,

Are lurking dangers spread:

Where thousand flatt'ring forms appear

Array'd in virtue's wreath,

Whose soft delusive smiles are fair,

Whose poi'st'rous touch is death.

A mother's counsel thou'lt need;

But she, whose constant eye

Would watch, whose hand, thy steps, would lead,

May low and silent lie.

O, might some friendly angel's arm

Guide thee in safety, peace,

And guard thy tender head from harm,

When my fond love shall cease.

J. A.

THE OLLIO.

[From the Literary Cabinet.]

ON MATERNAL AFFECTION.

Who that has seen a matron fondly bending over her infant babe, and gazing with the mixed feeling of love and tenderness on the image which it presents to her, that will withhold the tribute of respect? To see her in all the enthusiastic feelings of the heart, clasp her offspring to her bosom—to view her lulling by the soft melody of her voice, the helpless innocent into balmy sleep, and to survey her as she watches the sleeping moments of her darling child, while with anxious solicitude she anticipates its every want, is a sight, at which heroes and statesmen, philosophers and sages, may stand for a moment and gaze with delight.

Is there a feeling that actuates the human heart, so powerful as that of maternal affection? Who but woman, lovely woman, can feel that tender sensation so strong? The father, indeed, may press his lovely infant to his manly heart, but does it throb with those feelings which irresistibly overcome the mother? Does his masculine form tremble with the same anxious solicitude for the welfare of his child? No: though ties of blood and nature inseparably connect them in the bonds of affection and love, still his insatiate bosom is incapable of the tender feelings of the mother; while she, alive to all the sensibilities of the soul in a paroxysm of love and delight, trembles with the feelings of maternal affection. What power but the Eternal, can separate the fond mother from the being she has given life to. No pathless desert or gloomy forest, nor trackless ocean, with all their unnumbered dangers, can deter her intrepid soul from seeking her offspring in the hour of trial.

Maternal affection is inherent in the nature of a woman—it is planted within them—it is as lasting as the existence of

human feeling, and while reason holds her seat, the feelings of a mother's heart will recognise, through the lapse of time, the child of her bosom,

AN ABSENT SON.

[From the Charleston Courier.]

LAWYERS AND MINISTERS.

Care is very unequally distributed in this world. Some people skate over life with beautiful rapidity, and not pause in pleasure. The path of others is irksome, rough, rugged and precipitous. Now, although it is a part of our creed, that every man may be happy who chooses to be so, yet, are there certainly greater facilities of happiness in some tracks, than in others—something more genial in the moral climate, to the growth of joy.

It is well, however, that this is not

generally understood; otherwise we

should behold a monopoly of pursuit;

and all mankind, instead of being phy-

sicians, lawyers, &c. would inevitably be—clergymen.

The clergy have the easiest time of any people on this earth—perhaps it is because they deserve it. A clergyman enjoys a prescriptive respect and esteem, being ranked, by common consent, as high as a lady, and above a man. He has the charge of souls, which are not tangible, and have no rough edges, nor corners, nor acute angles, to annoy and afflict sensibility.

The comforts of this world are accorded to him with cheerfulness. The merchant presents him a quarter-cask of Madeira—the planter a barrel of rice—the ladies send him sweetmeats, and all the baby-clothes of his children are made in advance, by the courteous labor of his youthful parishioners. A few hours toil produces his weekly dis-

course, which he delivers to hearers who believe all that he says, and never think of denying it if they do not. He is associated with happiness by those whom he marries, with wisdom by those whom he instructs, with hope by those whom he consoles, and with blessings by them all. Now can there be a more envied situation, a more smooth and embarrassed journey, than this? Compared with the poor unfortunate lawyer, the clergyman travels on a railway, and the lawyer in a crazy wagon, struggling through mud and water, over a road abounding with ditches.

The lawyer incurs perspective distrust. His gown is associated in the mind, not with the idea of purity and innocence, but of cunning and concealment. His client regrets that he has occasion to employ him, and struggles to get rid of him as early as possible. He is not like a clergyman, who acting by himself, cannot well differ from himself—not like physicians, who meet only to consult and to agree, but like a gladiator, or, rather, like a game-cock, trained for perpetual war, and brought out of obscurity, only for a public contest. Much as he may love music, he must be always in discord; much as he may covet peace, he must never cease disputing. If there be only one side, he must make two out of it; and whether it be the right or the wrong, he must contend it is the right. He may be perfectly conscious of the superiority of another, but that won't do. He must oppose him in open court, and if he lose the victory, stands an excellent chance of losing his livelihood. People will take a clergyman, or a physician, on trust; but with regard to a lawyer, they are as fastidious as Othello, in requiring evidence.

So much for the general and pervading embarrassments of a lawyer's professional life. But it, unfortunately, he has a great deal of business, and several courts will sit at the same time, requiring him in all, then is there an additional distress, arising from the impossibility of being in more than one place at any one time. Then it is harassing indeed, to hear him called in the city court, and in the admiralty, and in the equity, and in the common law, and peradventure at chambers. "Mungo here, Mungo there, and Mungo everywhere."

There is another additional misery, which is too true to make a joke of—it, by any misfortune, people come to think that you are disinterested and humane, they imagine themselves entitled on all occasions, to your gratuitous labor, and to the wear and tear of your mind and affections. Thus comfortable is the profession of the law.

As a Scot and an Irishman were threshing for a Dutch farmer lately, the former observed to the latter, who was fresh from the hedges of Kilkenny, that in the course of his longer residence in this country, he had remarked the uncommon docility of its horses; that among many instances of tractability, he had seen them actually employed in threshing out wheat. "Arrah, my jewel," cried Murphy O'Mullen, "I am half a dozen years too ripe to believe that." The Scotsman still persisted that he asserted nothing but the truth, and Murphy O'Mullen retained his disbelief. Slaggered by his companion's serious and repeated aspersions, he interrogated in a tone of wonder, "And how do they hand the flails?"

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Dec. 21.

E. SHAW'S

PRIZE LIST.

HERE begins the particulars of the Drawing of the Eighth Class Cumberland & Oxford Canal Lottery. The Prize Office is yet true to its motto. Nos. drawn were

22, 5, 14, 2, 23, 3,

Ticket Comb. 5, 14, 22, Reg. 3312,

\$10,000.

Ticket Com. 2, 3, 23, Reg. 810, \$5,000

Do. do. 5, 11, 23, do. 3313, 500

Do. do. 2, 3, 22, do. 839, 330

Do. do. 3, 5, 14, do. 1647, 200

besides 100—50—10, &c. too numerous to

particularize, making in all more than half

the amount of the Lottery, having only sold

about one twelfth part of the Tickets. The

road is plain that leads to

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At the NEW STORE, corner of Exchange and Middle-streets.

Portland, Nov. 20, 1826. 125

FARM FOR SALE.

FOR SALE, the Homestead FARM of the late Elijah Bates, situated in Paris, containing about 160 acres of Land, consisting of due proportions of Woodland, Mowing, Pasturing, Orcharding, and Tillage; has a convenient one story House, a good sized Barn, out buildings, &c. Said Farm is well Watered, well Fenced with Stone Wall, and in other respects, in a good state of repair, and cuts from 25 to 30 tons Hay annually.

Also—100 acre Lot, with some improvements, adjoining said Farm, will be sold with, or without the Farm, as may suit the purchaser.—Persons desirous of purchasing Valuable Real Estate, would do well to examine. Any further information may be had by calling on the subscriber.

Unless the above be sold at private sale,

it will be sold at Auction on the premises, on Wednesday the 14th of February next, at eleven o'clock A. M. At the same time and place, will be sold at Auction, the following articles of Personal Property, belonging to the estate:

500 bushels POTATOES;

A quantity of CORN and GRAIN;

Several tons HAY;

And sundry other Articles.

TERMS or SALE—Liberal, and will be made known at the time and place of Sale.

ASAPH KIMMREDGE, Adm'r.

Paris, Dec. 7, 1826.

ELIAS SHAW.

Price of Tickets \$4—parts in proportion.

—Call for LUCKY NUMBERS.

E. SHAW.

Dec. 12. 3w 129

Prizes & Blanks

For sale in the above Lottery at the OXFORD BOOKSTORE, where has been sold Prizes of

\$1000! \$500! \$100!

and smaller denominations. As this Lottery will positively draw by the 10th of January,

persons who are desirous of purchasing should

lose no time in doing it, as Tickets signed

by E. SHAW, will soon be scarce.

—Prize Tickets in the Sullivan Bridge Lot-

tery, (an account of the drawing expected

this evening) taken for Tickets, or Specie

paid for them, if purchased at the Oxford Bookstore.

Norway, Dec. 21.